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Town of Vernon Vernon of Traffic Authority

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June 10 , 2010
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Meeting called to order: 7:00 P.M.

Present: Jon Paul Roden, Chief Kenny, Robert Kleinhans, Mason Thrall

Absent: Michael Desmond, Charlie Bettinger, Lucas Watson

Motion to accept Minutes for the May 13, 2010 regular meeting made by Mason Thrall, second by Jon Paul Roden.

Kenny, Roden and Thrall voted yes, Kleinhans abstained

Agenda Item 2: Modification of accepted site plan, 482 Talcottville Road.

Agenda item heard after item #3 at request of applicant due to traffic engineer being delayed in traffic.

For the applicant: Ken Peterson P.E., Gardner and Peterson Engineering, James Bubaris P.E. Bubaris Traffic Associates, Leonard Jacobs Esq., Jacobs, Walker, Rice and Barry LLC.

Site plan was approved by Authority as presented on May 13, 2010. Mr. Bubaris subsequently identified a traffic conflict with left turning traffic exiting Webster Bank across from the applicant's location. New site plan was submitted at the request of the applicant which changed the exit from the location to a right turn only configuration.

Ken Peterson stated that the island which directs traffic to the right, north bound on Talcottville Road would be a raised structure with a keep right sign on the island for incoming traffic and no entry sign to prevent inbound traffic from conflicting with exiting traffic. Jim Bubaris suggested that the raised island use vertical curbing to prevent drive over.

Fire Marshal, Ray Walker, was present and after presentation indicated that he had no concerns about the proposal.

Motion was made by Chief Kenny to approve second site plan with the stipulation that the island be raised using vertical curbing to prevent drive over. Second by Robert Kleinhans. Passed unanimously.

Agenda Item 3: Review of proposed repair and auto sale facility, 264 Talcottville Road.

Appearing was the applicant Larry Guillemette, owner Larry's Sales and Repair, also Leonard Jacobs, Esq. Jacobs, Walker, Rice and Barry LLC.

Project proposed to convert an animal grooming business into a auto repair and auto sales facility. Property is adjacent to existing location of Larry's Sales and Repair, 260 Talcottville Road.

Chief Kenny questioned the applicant regarding the usage of the street side parking spaces on Talcottville Road and Allen Drive. The applicant indicated that he planned to use the spaces for display vehicles and employee parking. Any customer traffic would utilize the existing office area at his old facility and not the proposed expansion. Applicant indicated that he had no plans to change the existing curb cuts on either road.

Chief Kenny informed the Authority that he had a prior discussion with Attorney Jacobs regarding whether a traffic survey was needed. Based on the anticipated use of the building which would have significantly reduced traffic trips from the current use, Chief Kenny decided not survey was warranted.

Motion to accept proposed project made by Jon Paul Roden, second by Mason Thrall.

Roden, Kenny and Thrall voted yes. Robert Kleinhans abstained.				
Old Business:				

None

New Business:

None

Motion to adjourn at 7:19 made by Robert Kleinhans, second by Mason Thrall. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

James L. Kenny

Chairman, Vernon Traffic Authority